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British to grant Polish overflight of Germany -- US Embassy
Brussels has learned from the British Embassy that the UK
is willing to grant the Polish airline the right to overfly UK
Zone Germany, in connection with the setting up of a WarsawBrussels air service, provided such services are truly reciprocal and a Belgian airline can begin simultaneous operations.
The British Embassy, which has been authorized to inform the
Belgian Government of this view, indicated that it had previously
raised with the UK Foreign Office the question of the advisability
of proceeding unilaterally with the Belgians, thus breaking the
US-UK common front on Satellite aviation policy. Ambassador
Kirk adds his opinion that until basic agreement has been reached
with the UK on an interpretation of the common Satellite aviation
policy, the US probably cannot influence Belgian and western
European air policy.

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